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Establishment of a Gosha Hospital at Ellore.

*969 Q.—Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether Government have received any petition from M.R.Ry. Maddula Venkata Chinaraju, Garu, an influential merchant of Ellore, representing that the citizens of Ellore are ready to co-operate and raise by public donations a part of the necessary funds if the Government propose to establish a Gosha Hospital at Ellore; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken thereon?

A.—(a) Mr. Maddula Venkata Rao addressed Government in connexion with the contemplated construction of a Gosha hospital by the Salvation Army. The Salvation Army subsequently decided not to proceed with the proposal.

(b) The Government have expressed their inability to interfere in the matter.

Alleged ill-treatment of Christian patients by the Sub-Assistant Surgeon, Cumbum.

*970 Q.—Mr. G. R. PREMAYYA: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether he has received the mahazar of Cumbum Christians through me regarding the ill treatment of Christian patients by the Sub-Assistant Surgeon of Cumbum;

(b) whether he has received a separate mahazar directly from Cumbum Christians;

(c) what action was taken thereon;

(d) whether the President, District Board, Kurnool, has investigated into the matter;

(e) whether he submitted any report on it to the Government; and if so, what it is;

(f) whether the Sub-Assistant Surgeon Mr. B. R. Narayana Rao of Cumbum has been ill-treating the Christian patients of Cumbum by making them stand outside the hospital;

(g) whether it is a fact that he is not attending to the confinement cases of the Christians;

(h) whether it is a fact that he is not taking prescription chits directly from their hands;

(i) whether it is a fact that he was abusing the Christians;

(j) whether it is a fact that he got a Christian suspended from the hospital service for no fault of his;

(k) whether several telegrams were sent to different officials of the Kurnool district; and

(l) if the Government have no information, whether they will be pleased to get it from the district?

A.—(a) & (b) Yes.

(c) A report was called for from the Taluk Board President, Markapur.

(d) The Government have no information.

(e) No.

(f) to (i) No.

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(*j*) A Christian ward servant was suspended for persistent disobedience of orders.

(*k*) No information.

(*l*) The suggestion is indefinite and it is not possible to call for information.

Mr. G. R. PREMAYYA :—" May I ask the hon. the Minister for Public Health whether he has since received the report from the Taluk Board President, Markapur ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The report was received from the President of the Markapur Taluk Board."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" I wish to know what has become of the Minister for Public Health ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Sir, he has asked me to answer the question and to apologise to you and the House for being away."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" I did not receive any intimation from him or from the Minister for Education. The Leader of the House, I think, will manage to have the Public Health Minister here very soon.

" The Council will, in the absence of the Public Health Minister, proceed for the present with the subsequent questions regarding Education, etc."

[For further supplemental questions please see page 489 infra.]

Registration

Location of a Sub-Registrar's office at Devarapalli, Nidadavole taluk.

* 971 *Q.*—[Please see page 480.]

Education

Boarding and lodging accommodation for students in the Government Training School for Mistresses, Rajahmundry.

* 972 *Q.*—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of pupils who attended the Government Training School for Mistresses at Rajahmundry in each of the years since the same was started ;

(*b*) whether any hostel is attached to the above school ;

(*c*) the number of pupils residing therein ;

(*d*) the charge prescribed for boarding and lodging for each pupil ;

(*e*) whether any poor pupils are given free boarding and lodging ; and

(*f*) whether Government make any grants for the hostel ?

A.—(*a*) The hon. Member is referred to the subsidiary tables appended to Volume II of the Annual Reports on Public Instruction.

(*b*) & (*f*) There is a hostel attached to the school. The Government are meeting all expenses connected with it, except the pay of cooks and feeding and lighting charges which are borne by the boarders.

(*c*), (*d*) & (*e*) The Government have no information but have called for it.